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## Going Out of Town?

Subscribers who leave the city temporarily should have The Times-Disputch matted them. Adversess will be changed as often as feet fully informed about the control of the c

A man's first care should be to avoid the reproaches of his own heart; the next, to escape the cen-sures of the world.—Addison.

### TESTING THE TWO-CENT RATE. According to a Raleigh correspond-

of The Times-Dispatch, the Seaboard Air Line has not found comfort experiment with the two-andnarter cent passenger rate, which is fixed by the North Carolina statite. The Seaboard declined to join he other railroads in contesting the law, but cut its passenger rates according to law, as soon as the statute became effective.

The new rate has now been in operation about thirty days, and our correspondent says that for all of the local passenger business of the Seaboard Air Line in North Carolina in the month of July, there is shown approximately an increase in the sale of ickets of two per cent., with an appreximate decrease in total receipts for that period of twenty-two per

The receipts of the Norfolk and Southern road show about the same and the falling off in the revenue of the Asheboro and Aberdeen road, a short local line, has been such as probably to force the company to abandon its regular pasenger trains and do its passenger tached to freight trains.

"One swallow does not make a ummer," and it does not necessarily follow that all railroads in North arolina and Virginia will show a similar decrease of revenue under will doubtle ; be declared by courts to be "unreasonable." In the meantime, the roads will have lost a considerable revenue, which t them are scarcely able to tand and there will be no redress. But all the railroads are now in the figures will tell. The result may

## STREET CAR CONDUCTORS.

doubt that he richly deserved his punishment, profanity directed at females not being a seemly or appropriate thing under any circumstances. New York conductors are not renowned for their civility. As a class, their manners are rudimentary, From their manners are rudimentary, From their gruff "Step lively!" to their of the State, We have the state of the State, We have the state of the state of the State, We have the state of the state of the state of the State, We have the state of the state o their gruffer indifference to a passenger's convenience or his destination, they violate, in turn, most of the recognized principles of polite etiquette. If you can persuade them to stop their cars to let you get on or off, you have, on the whole, secured the utmost of metropolitan conductor courtesy.

It should be added, however, that a New York conductor has one of the

It should be added, however, that a New York conductor has one of the most trying and exasperating vocations known to man. His car is likely to be crowded from dawn to dark. The mere collecting of fares is enough to keep his hands and his mind full. In addition he is incessantly beset with inquiries regarding routes, the location of hotels and theatres, injunctions to stop at such and such a street, and a such a street as such as su thousand request for aid, advice and the local ball team is now engaged Mr. Bryan-Haywood, thousand requests for aid, advice and timely suggestion. His fares represent prery, conceivable type of personality, many of them not amiable. Not a few late the conductor on principle as the representative of corporate greed, and are only too glad to pick a crow with him. With twenty quarrels forced on him is a single day, even a saint'a temper might give way at the twenty-first, and New York conductors usually have not that sort of temper. He has also to contend with the tricksters, the

smooth ones and the "beaters" of fares There is the innocent-looking old lady for example, who gives him a nickel insists that it was a quarter, and clamors loudly for her change, Sympathetic passengers refer to the conductor as a brute, prepare for action, Norton, and there is nothing for it but to pay the difference out of his own pocket New York conductors may be, and

or inattentive street car employes. The Confederates who were here at the recent reunion were especially struck with this fact, and visitors to Richmond are nearly always similarly impressed. We daresay there is not city of our size in the United States where the conductors are so uniformly well-behaved, courteous and consider

## OUR DAY OF REST.

## In a communication to The Times

Dispatch of Sunday, Mr. H. J. Farman, a Seventh Day Adventist, says that citizens of Virginia are required by law to close their places of business on Sunday, because Sunday is considered to be a holy day.

That is a popular error. The Sunday law is not an enactment of the fourth commandment. The legal observance of Sunday is not a religious observance. Our Bill of Rights declares that religion, or the duty which we owe to our Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or dolence; and, therefore, all men are qually entitled to the free exercise of religion, according to the dictates of conscience."

The statute making Sunday a day of rest does not once mention religion.
It does not intimate that Sunday is a holy day." It does not enjoin or In our poor end of town. admonish men and women to "remember the Sabbath day to keep it hely." It does not admonish them to go to hurch, to engage in any act of worship; ner does it restrain them from any innocent amusement or recreation. except such as may disturb the restfulness of the day.

In law Sunday is nothing more or less than a day of rest. Men and women are permitted to observe it in any way they please, provided only their acts do not disturb the spirit of

### THE JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

another year. "It will be September at The Very Idea. least," says our contemporary, "before least." says our contemporary, "before the fair can be perfected to that degree of completion in which it could be regarded as finished. When all is done, when the great government pier. done, when the great government pier is finished and the grounds have been finally adorned and beautified, it win inquestionably be one of the greatest expositions the world has ever seen and it seems a pity that the completed project should have only three nonths to run."

It does seem a shameful waste to Different Proposition tear down and destroy the exposition only a few months after it has been completed. On the other hand, it keep it through the winter, with exnenses going on and little or no revenue coming in, Again, can the exhibitors be induced to let their exhibits remain until the next season?

These are all very serious considera These are all very serious considerations, but if it is practicable to hold the show intact and reopen it next spring, it should be done. The Jamestates are the size of the job ahead.—St. Lowin Exposition has not had a fair chance. It is entitled to another year's lease of life.

for it, and they must get along as best they can until the issue is finally determined in court. In any event, the two-cent rate will be put to the test, and that is what the public has been bent on doing for some time past. The many friends of General Rufus A. Ayers are gratified to know that the two-cent rate will be put to the ported, is not true. The unfortunate test, and that is what the public has young man, in his frenzy, broke into the experiment will be made, and the effice of the express company, of which he is manager, in order to get which he is manager, in order to get state Journal.

The many friends of General Rufus Sa far as Japan is concerned, the New York Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Herald and World remain the only beligerents.—Charleston News and Courier. The World Hera some whiskey of his own, which he not be as bed as the railroads pre- had in the building, but by mistake took the package of another man.

The Star and Free Lance, of Fred-A New York street car conductor ericksburg, which keep house together, are going to have a new building. Our at a woman passenger. We have no bearty congratulations in advance, A

their gruff "Step lively!" to their hotels of the State. We hope that this Where Oratory Has Falled.

## POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Ellot

## Before the Starry Theshold of Jove's Court.

By JOHN MILTON.

By JOHN SHLTON.

Before the starry threshold of Jove's court.
My mansion is, where those immortal shapes
Of bright aerial, spirits live inspher'd
In regions mild of caim and serene air,
Above the smoke and stir of this dim spot
Which men call Earth, and with low-thoughted care,
Confin'd and pestor'd in this pin-fold here,
Strive to keep up a frail and feverish being,
Unmindful of the crown that Virtue gives
After this mortal change, to her true servants,
Amongst the enthron'd gods on sainted seats.
Yet some there be that by due steps aspire
To lay their just hands on that golden key
That opes the palace of Eternity:
To such my errand is; and but for such,
I would not soil these pure ambrosial weeds
With the rank vapors of this sin-worn mould.

This series began in The Times-Dispatch Oct. 11, 1903. One is published each day

## Borrowed Jingles.

A MIDSUMMER NIGHTMARE. The heat? Oh, no; it's not the heat That murders sleep, The premises are cool enough, And breezes sweep

The chamber with a cooling draft
That makes the pictures rock—
But there's a blooming phonograph
A-going in the block.

O, waitz me around again, Willie,
Around, around, around—
That's the dire number assassinates alambe
In our poor end of town.

The smoke? One, it's not the smoke That we're disposed To keep the windows and the doors Securely closed Through summer nights when no one class Would think of bar or lock—But there's a blooming phonograph A-guing in the block.

The street cars? No. it's not the cars.
That keeps us faint and wan.
That makes us nervous and denies.
The quiet of the lawn.
Please Heaven that the evil were.
Abit of rolling stock—
But there's a blooming phonograph.
A-going in the block.

Waltz me around again. Willie:
Around, around—
That's the old balled that keeps us all pallic
In our poor end of town.
— St. Louis Post-Dispatch,

### MERELY JOKING.

Dry or Wet?

their acts do not disturb the spirit of restfuiness that the law is designed to promote.

Kaleker: "I'm undecided whether to get an auto or a motor-boat."

Bocker: "Do you prefer walking or swimming?"—New York Sun.

## In the Conservatory.

The Hampton Monitor urges that the dear. Come, let me may it under the rose."

Jamestown Exposition be continued for ber plants are!"—Baltimore American.

Down and Down Again.

"Yes; he saved my life."
"And had you gone down for the third "Oh, for the tenth. I had been trying to attract his attention for an hour."—Washington Herald.

## POINTS FROM PARAGRAPHERS.

If Japan is just determined upon war with this country, we do not mind mentioning the fact that our trusts baye, n fine fluor guns, ammunition, and such things for sale,—Washington Heraid.

until autumn,
Mrs. Edgar Watts Hughes and little
son, Master Edgar Clayton Hughes, ot
Baitimore, and Mr. A. D. Jett, of Fredericksburg, are visiting Mrs. Hughesparents, at No. 908 East Clay Street,
They will visit the Jamestown Exposition before returning home.

Mrs. J. V. Jones and son, John, are pending some time with friends in

# **ELECTRICIANS TO**

## International Association 'Will Hold Eleventh Annual Convention, Beginning Wednesday.

The eleventh annual convention of the International Association of mu-nicipal Electricians will be held in Norfolk on August 7th, 8th and 9th, Norfolk on August 7th, 8th and 9th, and a large delegation will go down from Richmond on Tuesday night, the party including City Electrician William H. Thompson and several other city officials.

Mr. Thompson, who will represent Richmond, in the convention, has been paid a pretty compilment by the



## AMERICAN PEERESSES FIGHT IN PARIS COURT

Sued by Countess Spottis-

Rochefoucauld, daughter of the late Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, and the Counters Spottiswoode-Mackin, who was Miss Sally Britton, of St. Louis, have just been decided by the courts. The claim of the countess for \$400 for the rent of a house leased to the duchess left the house on the ground that it was imadequately heated. The court found that defective heating apparatus had been repaired within forty-eight hours, and to satisfy her claim the countess is authorized to sell what effects the duchess left in the house.

On the other hand, the attachment

Spattiswood - Mackins

## *A NEW ENGLANDER'S IDEA* OF JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION

dring tonvention of the organization, and was adopted as its daughter.

The electricians will be elaborately of Norfolk during their sessions. The exposition officials have set apart August 9th, as Electricians' Day, and Mr. Charles W. Rex, manager of the "101 Ranch." will entertain the delegates as his guests at a special matinee performance.

City Electrician R. A. Smith of Norfolk, chairman of the entertain ment committee, will probably be elected president of the association. He has no opposition for the honor. He has no opposition for the second has been matter of the exposition at the exposition and the entertain matter of the exposition at fame-show who, freed for the matter of the exposition at fame-show he had little extended sympathy. It is during the exposition in the exposition and as a five they were outlined, should have in his several Foundry ville, this county, yesterday, John he was forced to run jinio a refrigerator willout clothing.

I Just as he was about to take a bath, several Foundry ville women entered it the shop, intent upon assectationing their weight.

Not realizing there was any one of the women to the refrigerator door, and they all then joined in a search for clothes.

PERTILIZER PLANT BURNED:

BUANGE ABOUT \$180,000

LACKNONVILLE FLA. August 4—

LACKNONVILL

written by Miss Jordan, a professor at Smith College, and of whom Presi-dent Hadley, of Yale, has said that

The A Miller's, No. 512 Read Hood, The women to the retrigorator does the same of the women to the retrigorator does the house here. It also that a search the same of the same of the women to the retrigorator does the same of the women to the retrigorator does the same of the same

## COMMENTS OF VIRGINIA EDITORS.

## SOCIAL and **PERSONAL**

HE marriage of Miss Helen Cronshaw Cox, daughter of Mr. and
Duncan Balfour Cox, of Ashland, to Mr. Joseph Ellis Wootfolk, son of the late Mr. and
Mrs. Robert Ware Woolfolk, of Cuckoo,
Laules county will take place in the HE marriage of Miss Helen Cren-

Mrs. Robert Ware Woolfolk, of Cuckoo, Louisa county, will take place in the home of the bride on the afternoon of August the 20th, at 4 o'clock.

Owing to recent bereavement in the family of the groom-elect the wedding will be quietly celebrated in the presence of only the immediate relatives. Miss Virginia Noden Cox, sister of the hride, will be hald of honor, and Mr. John Sneed, of Gordonsville, Va., coushi of the groom, will be best man. Mr. John Goodwin Woolfolk, of New Madlson county, and Mr. Charles Edwin Cox, of Ashland, will act as ushers. win Cox, of Ashland, will act as ushers.

## Adeock-Seruggs.

Adcock—Seruggs.

Miss Ella Gertrude Scruggs and Mr. Richard A. Adcock left Richmond Wednesday, July 31st, on the noon train for Washington, and were married immediately after reaching the capital city. Mrs. Adcock is the daughter of Mrs. M. E. Scruggs and the late Geo. D. Scruggs, of Norwood. Nelson county, Va. She was becomingly attired in a gray traveling suit.

Mr. Adcock is the son of Mr. James Adcock, of Buckingham county. They will be at home to their friends at No. 412 West Main Street, this city.

412 West Main Street, this city, Lawn Fete.

A very successful lawn party was given Friday night at the home of Mrs. W. J. Todd, Third Avenue, Chestnut Hill, by the young ladies of the Northside Baptist Church. A large and lively crowd of young people gathered to participate in a very attractive pro-

one of the most entertaining features of the program was the appearance of Mrs. Stanley, from Forest Hill, who, being an expert clairvoyant, made the evening very pleasant for those who wished to have their future revealed.

Storm Party.

"Red Hill," the country home of Miss Maggie C. Spencer, near Scottsburg, Va., was the scene of a storm party on the evening of July 26th. The night was ideal for dancing and this pastime was thoroughly enjoyed until a late hour, when ices and cakes were served. Guests from a distance were How Fans Root in Boston.

"Advance expeditiously to third-hase!"
"Endeavor to drive the horsehide sphere over the fence!"
"He Jacet. Another visitor has been unable to solve Smith's parabolas!"
"Schriftlating, Schittliating, oid fellow!
Continue so!"
"By Socrates, the putrescence of that umpire is unbearable!"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

"Birm Party.

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"Perhaps your father objects to me on account of my shortcomings" account of my shortcomings."

"No! I think it's on account of your late stayings."—Pick-Me-Up.

"Read the stayings."—Pick-Me-Up.

Served. Guests from a distance were Mrs. Lestie Young, of Richmond; Mrs. E. B. Spencer, of Roanoke; Miss Tlaney, of Haynes, of Paces; Miss Haney, of Lynchburg; Misses Mamie Spencer and

Eva White, of New York; Dr. L. Keith Briggs; Messrs, Tucker, Bendall and Noblin, of South Boston; Mr. Thornton White, of Lynchburg; Dr. R. H. Ful-ler; Messrs, Martin and Spencer, of Clover. The chaperons were Mr. and Mrs.

## J. W. Lovelace, Mrs. John R. Wimbusi and Miss Maggie Spencer.

Automobile Races. The doctors of Richmond will give automobile races for the benefit of the Virginia Home for Incurables at A Buffale preacher says that hell is full the Fair Grounds on the afternoon of the job of buttoning them, even after death.

—Detroit Free Pres.

—Detroit press.

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lantic City under the chaperonage of her sister, Mrs. Harry L. Parkinson. Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Taylor and son. Master R. Montague Taylor, who have spent a pleasant week with Mr. and Mrs. Edward V. Palmer, of No. 216 South Pine Street, will return to their home in Lynchburg to-day.

home in Lynchburg to-day.

Miss Allce Cummings, who has been spending some time at the Jamestown Exposition, is visiting Miss Mary Drake on Floyd Avenue before returning to her home in Danville.

Miss Mary C. Pitts is spending the summer at her country home, in Goochland, after spending the winter and spring in Baitimore, where she made a specialty of plane study under Howard Brockway.

Mrs. M. A. Coghill, of No. 419 North

Mrs. M. A. Coghill, of No. 419 North Ninth Street, has just returned from Jamestown

Jamestown.

Mrs. M. T. Harris and her daughter, Miss Eloise Harris, of Covington, are visiting Mrs. Harris's sister, Mrs. J. C. Parkinson, at No. 805 East Leigh Street. They will go from Richmond to the Jamestown Exposition.

Mrs. Helen G. Manson and Mr. Osborne Wattson are spending some time at Atlantic City. They will return and remain in the mountains of virginia until autumn.

Mrs. Edgar Watts Hughes and little

Miss Freda Carnthers, who has been the guest of Mrs. Robert C. Traylor, of No. 812 West Liain Street, has re-turned home.

Mrs. Vernard Goodwin and lipiant daughter, Katherine, of No. 2217 West Main Street, left Tuesday for Gladstone to be the guests of Mrs. Kirby Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. James McConnel and daughter, of Michigan, are visiting Mrs. E. C. Graves, in South Pine Street, this city.

# MEET IN NORFOLK

Duchess de la Rochefoucauld woode Mackin.

The following interesting letter, parts of the Union, dealing with ques-